

## **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS**

[OMB Control No. 2900-0799]

**Proposed Information Collection Activity: Proposed Collection; Comment Request** 

**AGENCY:** National Cemetery Administration, VA.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The National Cemetery Administration (NCA), Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the Federal Register concerning each proposed collection of information, including each new collection and allow 60 days for public comment in response to the notice. This notice solicits comments on the information needed to implement statutory authority for NCA to provide reimbursement for the purchase of caskets and urns for the interment of the remains of Veterans without next of kin (NOK) and sufficient resource available for burial.

**DATES:** Written comments and recommendations on the proposed collection of information should be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

**ADDRESSES:** Submit written comments on the collection of information through <a href="www.Regulations.gov">www.Regulations.gov</a>; or to Mechelle Powell, National Cemetery Administration (43D3), Department of Veterans Affairs, 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420; or e-mail: <a href="mailto:mechelle.powell@va.gov">mechelle.powell@va.gov</a>. Please refer to "OMB Control No. 2900-0799" in any

correspondence. During the comment period, comments may be viewed online through the Federal Docket Management System (FDMS) at <a href="https://www.Regulations.gov">www.Regulations.gov</a>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mechelle Powell at (202) 684-5365 or FAX (202) 501-2240.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the PRA of 1995 (Public Law 104-13; 44 U.S.C. 3501 – 3521), Federal agencies must obtain approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for each collection of information they conduct or sponsor. This request for comment is being made pursuant to Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the PRA.

With respect to the following collection of information, NCA invites comments on: (1) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of NCA's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) the accuracy of NCA's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology.

<u>Title</u>: Casket/Urn Reimbursement , VA Form 40-10088.

OMB Control Number: 2900-0799.

Type of Review: New Collection.

<u>Abstract</u>: The Department of Veterans Affairs, National Cemetery Administration proposes to establish VA regulations to implement new statutory authority for NCA to

provide reimbursement for the purchase of caskets and urns for the interment of the remains of Veterans without next of kin and sufficient resources available for burial.

Affected Public: Federal Government and Community Social Services

Estimated Annual Burden: 168.

Estimated Average Burden Per Respondent: 15 minutes.

Frequency of Response: Once.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 670.

Dated: January 23, 2015.

By direction of the Secretary:

## Crystal Rennie,

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